

Overview of Inpatient Admissions Management

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Inpatient Admissions Management

Agency manages 3 lists for pending admissions for civil and forensic inpatient services:

- 2 forensic
 - Maximum Security Unit
 - Clearinghouse (non-MSU forensic)
- 1 civil
 - Non-forensic adults, adolescents, and children



Admission



- Forensic and civil pending admissions are admitted on a first-come, first-served basis unless prioritization is deemed clinically necessary
- Clinical exceptions are reviewed and recommended by a physician at the receiving facility. Final approval for exceptions is provided by State Hospital System leadership.



Forensic

Maximum Security & Clearinghouse



Forensic Admission Management

Maximum Security Unit (MSU) Admissions

- Criminal code commitments for violent offenses (see next slide)
- Persons found incompetent to stand trial (IST) or acquitted as not guilty by reason of insanity (NGRI)
- Admit to either:
 - North Texas State Hospital, Vernon Campus, or
 - Rusk State Hospital (IST males w/out diagnosis of ID/D)*



Forensic Admission Management

Violent Offenses Include

- Murder (Section 19.02)
- Capital murder (Section 19.03)
- Kidnapping (Section 20.03)
- Aggravated kidnapping (Section 20.04)
- Indecency with a child (Section 21.11)
- Sexual assault (Section 22.011)
- Aggravated assault (Section 22.02)
- Aggravated sexual assault (Section 22.021)
- Injury to a child, elderly, or disabled person (Section 22.04)
- Aggravated robbery (Section 29.03)
- Continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children (Section 21.02)
- Continuous trafficking of persons (Section 20A.03)



Forensic Admission Management

Clearinghouse

- Criminal code commitments for non-violent offenses
- Primarily, persons found IST
- Admit to a non-MSU facilities

State Operated Facilities

- Austin State Hospital
- Big Spring State Hospital
- El Paso Psychiatric Center
- Kerrville State Hospital*
- North Texas State Hospital, Wichita Falls

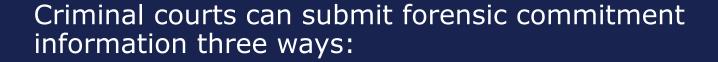
State Funded Facilities

- Harris County Psychiatric Center
- Montgomery County Hospital
- Palestine Regional Medical Center

- Rio Grande State Center
- Rusk State Hospital
- San Antonio State Hospital
- Terrell State Hospital

^{*}Does not receive admissions from outside of state operated hospital system.

Forensic Commitment Notification



- Email @ <u>ForensicAdmissions@hhsc.state.tx.us</u>*
- Fax @ (940) 553-2504 or (940) 553-2506
- Phone @ (940) 552-4061



See handout titled "Announcement of New State Hospital Forensic Commitment Electronic Notification"

Required Information

Information required to add a forensic commitment to the Clearinghouse or MSU list

- Name
- Date of birth
- Gender
- Date of commitment
- Date of arrest
- Cause number(s)
- Charge(s)*
- Type of commitment
- Committing county
- Copy of the order of commitment

*Based on the charges, the person will be added to either the Clearinghouse or MSU pending admissions list

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Forensic Notification Template Attachment 3





Charles Smith Executive Commissioner

<u>Forensic Inpatient Commitment - Notification Form</u> Committing County Information

County Court:	
Mailing Address:	
Contact Name(s):	
Contact Phone #(s):	
Order of Commitment Date:	
Local Mental Health Authority (LMHA):	
Attorney Information:	/

Defendant Information

Submit completed forms, along with a copy of the order of commitment, to ForensicAdmissions@hhsc.state.tx.us or via fax at (940) 553-2504 or (940) 553-2506

Required Documentation: (Prior to Admission)

Before a person can admit, criminal courts **must** provide all of the following documentation to the **receiving facility** [CCP, Art. 46B.076 and/or Art. 46C.251]*:

- Indictment
- Supporting documents used to establish probable cause
- Expert reports, i.e. competency or sanity
- Psychiatric, psychological, or social work reports
- Documents related to current or past mental condition
- Criminal history record
- Attorney contact information (state and defense)



*Not required to add a forensic commitment to the pending admissions lists



Civil

Inpatient Care Waitlist

Civil Admission Management



Inpatient Care Waitlist (ICW)

- Management of non-forensic pending admissions (adults, adolescents and children)
- Managed by Local Mental Health and Local Behavioral Health Authorities via Clinical Management for Behavioral Health Services (CMBHS)
- State hospitals have viewing access only
 - Required to reconcile internal lists of pending admissions with ICW data, daily
- Patients on this list admit to either a:
 - Contracted hospital, or
 - State hospital
 - Exception: North Texas State Hospital Vernon and Kerrville State Hospital



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Thank you